

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 – 17 (Cancelled)

18. (Previously Presented) A brush cleaning device to clean artist brushes, paint brushes and cosmetic brushes, said device comprising:

(a) a tank having closed sides and a bottom defining an interior;

(b) a brush frame disposed within the tank, said brush frame comprising at least a first rotating cleaning means and a second rotating cleaning means, wherein, the rotating cleaning means each comprise a bristle portion;

(c) a motor housing comprising a first opening connecting to the tank; and

(d) a top cover disposed on the upper surface of the motor housing, said top cover comprising a second opening in communication with the first opening and with the tank; wherein the bristle portion of the first rotating cleaning means does not touch the bristle portion of the second rotating cleaning means.

19. (Currently Amended) The brush cleaning device of claim 18, wherein [~~the~~] the first rotating cleaning means and the second rotating cleaning means are disposed parallel to one another.

20. (Currently Amended) The ~~paintbrush-cleaning~~ brush cleaning device of claim 18 wherein the first rotating cleaning means and the second rotating cleaning means are configured to rotate towards the interior of the tank.

21. (Previously presented) The brush-cleaning device of claim 18 wherein the bristle portion of the first rotating cleaning means and the second rotating cleaning means

comprise a plurality of tufts extending outward from the their respective outer surfaces.

22. (Previously presented) The brush-cleaning device of claim 21 wherein the plurality of tufts is configured in a spiral pattern along substantially the entire length of the first and second rotating cleaning means.
23. (Previously presented) The brush cleaning device of claim 21, wherein the tufts are disposed in tuft holes and wherein adjacent tuft holes are separated by a wall.
24. (Previously Presented) The brush cleaning device of claim 23, wherein the wall between adjacent tuft holes has a thickness, and wherein the thickness is from about 0.0001mm thick to about 0.1 mm thick.
25. (Previously Presented) The brush cleaning device of claim 24, wherein the wall between adjacent tuft holes has a thickness, and wherein the thickness is from about 0.0005 mm thick to about 0.005 mm thick.
26. (Previously Presented) The brush cleaning device of claim 25, wherein the wall between adjacent tuft holes has a thickness, and wherein the thickness is about 0.00025 mm thick.
27. (Previously Presented) The brush cleaning device of claim 21, wherein the tuft comprises a tuft base, and wherein the diameter of the tuft at the tuft base is from about 0.005 cm to about 5.0 cm.
28. (Previously Presented) The brush cleaning device of claim 27, wherein the tuft comprises a tuft base, and wherein the diameter of the tuft at the tuft base is from about 0.01 cm to about 1.0 cm.
29. (Previously Presented) The brush cleaning device of claim 28, wherein the tuft comprises a tuft base, and wherein the diameter of the tuft at the tuft base is from about 0.015 cm to about 0.25 cm.

30. (Previously Presented) The brush cleaning device of claim 21, wherein the tuft comprises a length and wherein the length is from about 0.5 cm to about 25 cm.
31. (Previously Presented) The brush cleaning device of claim 30, wherein the tuft comprises a length and wherein the length is from about 0.75 cm to about 10 cm.
32. (Previously Presented) The brush cleaning device of claim 31, wherein the tuft comprises a length and wherein the length is from about 1 cm to about 5 cm.
33. (Currently Amended) The brush cleaning device of claim 18, further comprising a means for providing power to rotate the rotating cleaning means and, wherein the means for providing power to rotate the rotating cleaning means is selected from the group consisting of electric motors, battery-operated motors and manual cranks.
34. (Currently Amended) The brush-cleaning device of ~~claim 18~~ claim 33 wherein said rotating cleaning means comprises at least one gear that communicates with a drive gear in communication with the means for providing power.
35. (Original) A brush cleaning device to clean artist brushes, paint brushes and cosmetic brushes, said device comprising:
- (a) a tank having closed sides and a bottom defining an interior, wherein the tank comprises a latch catch;
 - (b) a brush frame disposed within the tank, said brush frame comprising lower ends and at least a first rotating cleaning means and a second rotating cleaning means, wherein, the first and second rotating cleaning means are disposed parallel to one another and each comprise a bristle portion;
 - (c) a stationary cleaning means comprising a bristle portion, wherein the stationary cleaning means is disposed between the lower ends of the brush frame and

- (d) a motor housing comprising a first opening connecting to the tank and at least one latch handle;
- (e) a top cover disposed on the upper surface of the motor housing, said top cover comprising a second opening in communication with the first opening and with the tank; wherein

the latch handle interfaces with the latch catch to secure the motor housing to the tank, and wherein the respective bristle portions of the first rotating cleaning means, second rotating cleaning means and stationary cleaning means do not touch one another.